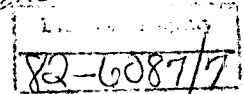


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The Honorable William J. Casey
Director
Central Intelligence Agency
Washington, D.C. 20505

Dear Bill:

Your U.S. News & World Report interview was superb
on several counts:

The arousal of U.S. public opinion to the
severity of the threat in Central America
and other key areas of the world.

The image of the CIA as a very responsible
intelligence agency.

Your image as a thoroughly knowledgeable,
capable and candid (within reasonable
limits) Director. It won't be long before
the press is acknowledging that you are
the best Director the CIA has ever had.

I hope you will do more of this sort of thing.

Sincerely,



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